

United States and the United Nations should condemn coral reef fisheries that are harmful to coral reef ecosystems and promote the development of sustainable coral reef fishing worldwide.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on H.R. 374, Sikes Act Improvement Amendments of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representative Delahunt; Sherri W. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary, Environmental Security, Department of Defense; Gary Edwards, Assistant Director, Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

COMMERCIAL SPACE ACT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics continued hearings on the Commercial Space Act of 1997: Space Transportation. Testimony was heard from Edward A. Frankle, General Counsel, NASA; Patti Grace Smith, Associate Administrator (Acting), Commercial Space Transportation, FAA, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PILOT PROGRAM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight held a hearing on the performance of the Small Business Technology Transfer Pilot Program (STTR). Testimony was heard from Susan D. Kladiwa, Acting Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Issues, GAO; Kesh Narayan, Director, Industrial Innovative Group, NSF; Daniel O. Hill, Assistant Administrator, Technology, SBA; Robert L. Neal, Jr., Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development held a hearing on H.R. 20, Capitol Visitor Center Authorization Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representative Mica; Wilson Livingood, Sergeant at Arms, House of Representatives; Alan Hantman, Architect of the Capitol; Winston Tabb, Associate Librarian, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

DVA—SAFETY AND SECURITY PROCEDURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing to review

safety and security procedures within the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: John H. Baffa, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Security and Law Enforcement; Richard P. Miller, Director, G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery Veterans Affairs Medical Center, John E. Ogden, Director, Pharmacy Service and Kenneth Faulstich, Engineering Management and Field Support Office, all with the Veterans Health Administration; Joseph Wolfinger, Assistant Director, Training Division, FBI, Department of Justice; Charles F. Rinkevich, Director, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Department of the Treasury; representatives of veterans organizations; and a public witness.

LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight approved for full Committee action a Subcommittee Report on the Administration of the Low Income Housing Tax Credit.

FUTURE OF SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security continued hearings on the Future of Social Security for this Generation and the Next, focusing on the 1997 Annual Report of the Board of Trustees on the financial status of the Social Security Trust Funds. Testimony was heard from the following Trustees of the Social Security Board of Trustees, SSA: Marilyn Moon and Stephen G. Kellison; and public witnesses.

BRIEFINGS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence met in executive session to hold Briefings on Counter-terrorism Operations and Counterproliferation Operations. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 23, 1997

Senate

No meetings are scheduled.

House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.